

Alex White #6

Alex led the Vikings to back-to-back state titles: the 2005 4A crown and the 2006 3A championship, earning MVP honors in the finals by striking out 8 and even delivering a go-ahead sacrifice fly

Exceptional two-way play: in 2006 he went 10–0 with a 0.46 ERA, struck out 136, walked only 11, and also hit .506 with a 1.106 slugging percentage. Named the 2006 North Carolina Player of the Year and earned multiple All-America honors.

College Career at UNC (2007–2009)

Chose to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, majoring in Sports Administration.

Freshman Year (2007)

Pitched in 19 games (18 starts), going 6–7 with a 4.94 ERA, totaling 83 strikeouts in 98⅓ innings

. Named second-team Freshman All-America and was ACC All-Tournament in the ACC postseason.

Sophomore Year (2008)

Breakout season: 13–3 record, 2.83 ERA, 113 strikeouts in 101⅔ innings. Led ACC in wins; among conference leaders in ERA, strikeouts, innings & opponent average

Honors: ACC Pitcher of the Year, first-team All-ACC, second-team ABCA All-America, third-team by Baseball America/Collegiate Baseball

In the 2008 College World Series, went undefeated (5–0 postseason, 2.76 ERA), winning three games—two vs. LSU and one vs. Fresno State—aided by relief appearances. Named to the CWS All-Tournament team as top right-handed pitcher

Junior Year (2009)

Went 8–4 with a 3.87 ERA, compiling 121 strikeouts and holding opponents to a .233 average over 107 innings in 16 starts

Earned first-team All-ACC honors again and was a Golden Spikes Award semifinalist

Professional Career

Drafted in June 2009 in the 1st round, 15th overall, by the Cleveland Indians,

2010 (Minors): Debuted with Kinston Indians (A+), then promoted to Akron (AA). Over 150⅔ innings, went 10–10 with a 2.45 ERA, striking out 117 while allowing only 123 hits. Rated among top prospects in the organization

Major League Debut & MLB Career (2011–2012)

Called up to the Cleveland Indians and debuted April 30, 2011 vs. Detroit Tigers, pitching 6 innings of 2-run ball in a no-decision. Earned first MLB win on May 5, 2011, vs. Angels